

Partners in Public Health Preparedness

Can your business survive?

During a public health emergency like a large scale biological attack or a naturally occurring pandemic, Maricopa County Department of Public Health can open Points of Dispensing sites (PODs) to quickly provide life-saving medications to the public.

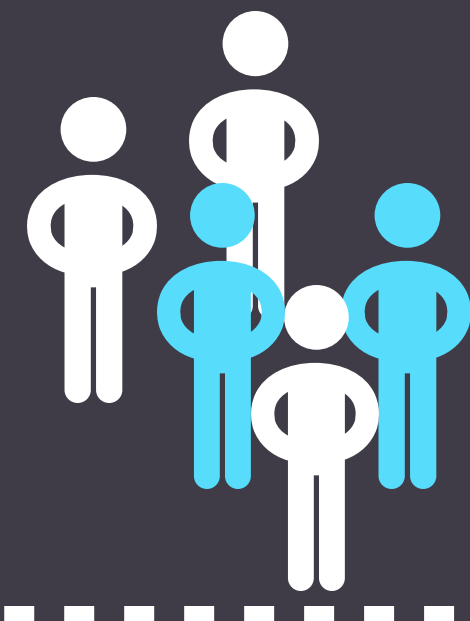
30-40% of employees may leave work due to illness or an ill family member

Open POD: 1-2 day disruption

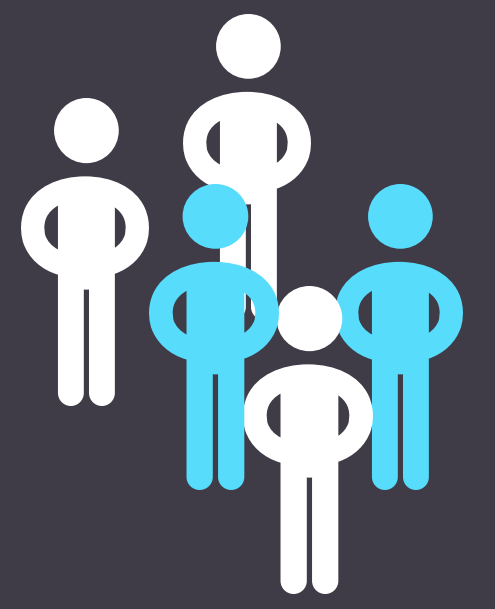


Employees leave work to pick up life-saving medications at a public location

Business is disrupted for days
Community impact is high



Closed POD: hours disruption



Employees stay at work
Medications are delivered to your business

Business disruption is minimized
Community impact is low



Benefits to being a Closed POD Partner



Business Continuity

- Minimal disruption of day-to-day operations
- Company continues to perform essential services
- Helps with business recovery after a public health emergency



Corporate Social Responsibility

- Reduces the number of people at Open PODs
- Reduces the impact of disaster at the local community level



Employee Wellness

- Employees get life-saving medications at work
- Enough medications for all family members

Steps to becoming a Closed POD Partner

1 Engage

Contact MCDPH for information on:

- ▲ Program Requirements
- ▲ Liability Information
- ▲ Planning Templates
- ▲ Best Practices

2 Train

Receive specialized training for your organization in:

- ▲ POD Operations
- ▲ Communications
- ▲ Resources
- ▲ Public Health Emergencies

3 Exercise

Be prepared for a public health emergency:

- ▲ Write your dispensing plan
- ▲ Train internally
- ▲ Exercise your plan

4 Update

Update MCDPH yearly:

- ▲ 24/7 Emergency Contacts
- ▲ Delivery Location
- ▲ Number of Employees
- ▲ Dispensing Plan



Contact
MCDPH

For more information about Closed PODs or to become a Partner in Public Health Preparedness, visit:

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